

# OUTSIDE THE LINES

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Heroes • Judges 17-18 • Message 9

PRAY • OTHNIEL EHUD DEBORAH BARAK GIDEON ABIMELEK JEPHTHAH SAMSON AND OTHERS

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Every detail was **JUSTIFIABLE**;

it was just a bit OUTSIDE the LINES.

FALSE LAND, FALSE MESSAGE, FALSE PRIEST, FALSE SHRINE

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because there was no **HERO** to **STOP IT**.

19:1

### TAKE IT HOME

JUST BECAUSE GOD ALLOWS IT, DOESN'T MEAN HE ENDORSES IT OR THAT YOU SHOULD ALLOW IT

Our world still needs a hero: **JESUS** and **HIS BODY**.

#### How to Be a Hero of the Lines

- I need to be WITH GOD inside HIS LINES.
- I need to be **aware** of how his lines are being crossed.
- I need to be **ready** to step up.

MATTHEW 5:21-22 • GOD'S LINE, JESUS' LINE, HUMAN LINE, JESUS' LINE WE DRAW LINES AND ENFORCE THEM • WE SHOULD EMBRACE GOD'S LINES AND SHOW THEIR BEAUTY

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